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Section II (Remarks)

A. Summary of Amendments

By the present amendment, no claims have been amended or added, and claims 39, 40, and 76-102 been cancelled. No new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 132 has been added.

By canceling claims 39, 40, and 76-102, Applicant hereby does **NOT** concede the propriety of any rejections made in the October 19, 2006 Office Action. To the contrary, claims 39, 40, and 76-102 have been cancelled to expedite issuance of a patent on the present application, and Applicant fully intends and reserves the right to file a continuing application directed to the subject matter of any or all of claims 39, 40, and 76-102 to obtain one or more patents thereon.

B. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has indicated claims 1-38 and 41-75 to be allowable (October 19, 2006 Office Action, page 2). Applicant reserves the right to file any necessary Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance at an appropriate time no later than payment of the Issue Fee in the present application.

C. Claim Rejections

In the October 19, 2006 Office Action, claims 39, 40, and 76-102 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,573,683 to Chang ("Chang"). As indicated previously, Applicant does not concede the propriety of some or all of the foregoing claim

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rejections, but has cancelled claims 39, 40, and 76-102 herewith to expedite issuance of a patent on the present application.

In view of the cancellation of claims 39, 40 and 76-102, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) in the present application are moot.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-38 and 41-75 as originally or previously submitted are in form and condition for allowance, as already recognized by the Examiner. Issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance for such claims is requested without delay. To the extent that any issues should arise, incident to the formal allowance of the present application, that are amenable to telephonic resolution, the appropriate USPTO representative is requested to contact the undersigned directly by phone at (919)419-9350.

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